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An Evening at Prescott House Museum, Starr's Point

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What was it like to attend a 19th-century party on an autumn evening at a grand country estate? Step into the past at a 19th-Century Evening at Acacia Grove, a special event at Prescott House Museum, Starr's Point near Wolfville, from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 3.

Walk through history with costumed interpreters at Acacia Grove, once the home of apple pioneer Charles Ramage Prescott. Be entertained with classical music performed by Apple Valley Winds; hear duets by Paula Rockwell and Susan Shantora, accompanied by Heather Price; listen to the cadence of 19th-century romantic poetry read by David and Andrea Hill, and tap your toes to the Gaelic fiddle music and step dance of Christy Hodder.

Watch as artist Twila Robar DeCoste sketches in the old-world ambience of Acacia Grove. Sample mulled cider and delectable sweets concocted for your pleasure from authentic 19th-century recipes, with musical served in the tent, specially decorated for autumn splendour.

The estate was rejuvenated in the 1930s by Mr. Prescott's great-granddaughter, Mary Allison Prescott, who added beautiful gardens and restored the Georgian house to its former grandeur.

Today, Prescott House Museum is a designated national historic site and part of the Nova Scotia Museum's family of 25 museums.

Tickets to the twilight tour are $10, available in advance at Prescott House Museum or Apple Tree Landing Children's Centre, Canning, or at the door. Tour proceeds benefit the Apple Tree Landing Children's Centre.

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